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TO AMEMBASSY STOCKHOLM PRIORITY

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FOR CANNEY FROM WOODS

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: OVIP (WARREN E. BURGER)

SUBJECT: VISIT BY CHIEF JUSTICE BURGER

1. DAVID MORRIS HAS CONFIRMED THAT HE WILL BE UNABLE TO JOIN THE CHIEF JUSTICE DUE TO CONFLICTING ENGAGEMENTS IN THE US. HE IS WRITING THE AMBASSADOR EXPRESSING HIS REGRET AND SAYING THAT HE HOPES TO VISIT STOCKHOLM IN OCTOBER.

2. CHIEF JUSTICE WILL BE PLEASED TO ADDRESS THE EMBASSY STAFF, BUT HAS NOT REPLIED TO THE AMBASSADOR'S SUGGESTION FOR A PRESS CONFERENCE AND/OR TV INTERVIEW. BASED ON THE EXPERIENCE OF EARLIER FOREIGN MISSIONS, BURGER'S STAFF BELIEVES HE WILL DECLINE TO DO ANY MEDIA WORK.

3. TWO BOXES OF SMALL GIFTS FOR DISTRIBUTION DURING THE CHIEF JUSTICE'S VISIT POUCHED TO STOCKHOLM FOR CANNEY 8/24. (POUCH NO. BR-10448, INVOICE NO. A.340 AND POUCH NO. X3-15602, INVOICE NO. A-341). THESE INCLUDE PHOTOS OF BURGER AND THE COURT AND VARIOUS SOFT BOUND PUBLICATIONS ON THE COURT, ITS MAJOR DECISIONS AND THE CONSTITUTION. THE CHIEF JUSTICE WILL WANT THE EMBASSY'S RECOMMENDATIONS, AFTER HE ARRIVES, ON HOW AND TO WHOM THESE SHOULD BE PRESENTED.

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4. WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR EARLY REPLY TO QUESTIONS POSED DURING TELECON 8/20. SHOULD INSCRIPTION ON SILVER INK-WELL FOR SWEDISH CHIEF JUSTICE BE INSCRIBED "TO THE CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT TORKEL NORDSTROM" OR DOES EMBASSY RECOMMEND ALTERNATIVE FORMULATION? SWEDISH EMBASSY HERE HAS ADVISED THAT SWEDEN SHOULD NOT APPEAR IN THE INSCRIPTION. ARE ANY OTHER MAJOR GIFTS IN ORDER, FOR EXAMPLE FOR THE MINISTER OF JUSTICE AND IF SO DOES THE EMBASSY HAVE ANY SUGGESTIONS ON APPROPRIATE GIFTS. CHIEF JUSTICE'S STAFF ALSO ASKED WHETHER EMBASSY ABLE AND WILLING TO HAVE FRAMED LIMITED NUMBER OF PHOTOGRAPHS FOR PRESENTATION. (INCLUDED IN POUCH SHIPMENT). NEITHER CHIEF JUSTICE NOR COURT HAS FUNDS AVAILABLE TO PAY FOR THIS.

5. WE HAVE INFORMED CHIEF JUSTICE'S OFFICE THAT YOU ARE DESIGNATED EMBASSY CONTROL OFFICER FOR VISIT. KISSINGER

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